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MEMORANDUM FOR MEMBERS, SENIOR INTERAGENCY GROUP FOR SPACE

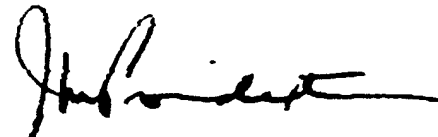
SUBJECT: SIG(Space) Agenda (U)

A meeting of the SIG(Space) will be held on April 18, 1986, 4:00-5:00 p.m., Room 208 OE08, to discuss three major issues related to loss of the Challenger. The first is one of identifying funding offsets. We must reconcile the need to expedite recovery of U.S. space launch capabilities with the fact that we cannot submit an unfunded request to the Congress. I believe the DOD should identify full offsets, and NASA should identify appropriate additional offsets, to the extent possible, by year, for those programmatic actions that must be started. OMB has committed to assisting in the search for offsets within current budgetary limits. (C)

The second issue is deciding policy changes to relieve NASA of the responsibility for launching all commercial and foreign payloads. At the same time we must ensure a permanent role in national and international space launch operations for the commercial U.S. space launch industry. While all SIG participants agree to privatization of a commercial ELV capability, how and when such systems will be made available is an issue. I am looking to DOC, DOT and NASA to identify policy changes, options and transition plans to address this issue. (C)

I will ask the opinion of the SIG on the third issue of the release of this report with the Rogers Commission report. I urge all participants to give the interagency process renewed interest and commitment and be prepared to present your points of view at the SIG meeting. I enjoin you to continue to treat our decisions and deliberations confidential. (U)

Attendance at this meeting will be limited to principals plus one. Please call Col Jerry May (395-5022) with the names of your representatives by COB April 17, 1986. (U)



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